

There is a garrison, of 1000 men nominally, for the town and district are somewhat turbulent, and a conflict is always imminent between the Kurds and Turks, who are Sunnis, and the small Persian population, which is

Shiah. The altitude of Sujbulak is 4770 feet

Here I have come upon the track of Ida Pfeiffer, who travelled in the Urmi region more than forty years ago, when travelling in Persia was full of risks, and much more difficult in all respects than it is now.



RUED OP SUJBULAK.

The Sanak, though

clear and bright, is fouled by many abominations, and by the ceaseless washing of clothes above the town; there are no pure wells, and all people who care about what they drink keep asses constantly bringing water from an uncontaminated part of the river, two miles off. Even the Governor has to depend on this supply. Sujbulak looks very well from this camp, with the bright river in the foreground, and above it, irregularly grouped on a rising - bank, the fa9ade, terraces, and towers of the Governor's palace, the fort-like Turkish consulate,

and numbers of good dwelling-houses,
with *lalakhanas*